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Ramp Closures for Stage Change at I-55/LSD Interchange

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that ramp closures will take place on the outbound Stevenson Expressway (southbound Interstate 55), in Chicago, for a stage change, as part of the ongoing Interstate 55/Lake Shore Drive (U.S. 41) Interchange Reconstruction project.

In order to complete the stage change, the following ramp closures will take place at the interchange, weather permitting, Monday, Feb. 6 and Friday, Feb. 10:

Starting at 1 a.m. Monday, the ramp from northbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson will be closed until 5 a.m. A posted detour will direct northbound Lake Shore Drive traffic to exit at 18th Street, re-enter southbound Lake Shore Drive and take the ramp to the outbound Stevenson.

Starting at 1 a.m. Friday, the ramp from southbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson will be closed until 5 a.m. A detour will direct southbound Lake Shore Drive traffic to exit at 31st Street, re-enter northbound Lake Shore Drive and take the outbound Stevenson ramp.

In the new traffic pattern, motorists will travel on the newly-constructed ramp from southbound Lake Shore Drive to the southbound Stevenson. The overall project is expected to be completed in Fall 2017.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click [here](#) to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at www.travelmidwest.com

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